

Columbus Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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COLUMBUS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

"FEES AND CHARGES"

As set forth below, the following charges are applicable to recover costs incurred by the utility from persons causing or benefiting from activities giving rise to said costs.

1. Connect fee - Initial installation of service:
A fee of \$25.00 (which includes a membership fee of \$5.00) will be charged for connecting the initial service at a customer's premises. Such connection shall be made only during normal business hours.
2. Collection Fee:
A fee of \$25.00 will be charged if Cooperative personnel are dispatched to a customer's premises for the purpose of disconnecting service due to non-payment of a delinquent account and the customer makes payment to Cooperative personnel to avoid disconnect.
3. Reconnect Fee:
If service is discontinued because of non-payment of a delinquent account, a reconnect fee of \$25.00 will be made if the reconnection is made during normal business hours. If the customer requests reconnection after business hours, the reconnect fee will be \$50.00. The customer will be notified of the applicable fee before the reconnection is made.
4. Service Call Fee:
In instances where the Cooperative is requested to make a service call to the **customer's** premises for the purpose of locating trouble and the trouble is found to be on the customer's side of the meter, a charge of \$25.00 per call will be imposed. If this request occurs after normal business hours, then the charge will be \$50.00. The customer will be notified of the applicable charge before the service call is made.
5. Returned Check Charge:
A fee of \$15.00 will be charged to the maker of a check issued to the Cooperative which is returned by the bank unpaid. This charge will apply to all checks issued payable to the Cooperative.

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6. Meter Test Fee:

When a meter test is requested by a customer, a meter test fee of \$25.00 will be made **if (a) the meter has** been tested within the last eighteen (18) months, and (b) the meter test results are within two percent (2%) fast or slow.

7. Metering Tampering Charge:

When meter tampering has occurred - including the **unauthorized breaking and/or removal of the meter seal** - a charge of \$150.00 per meter for the first offense, and \$300.00 per meter for each subsequent offense will be made. In addition, a service call fee of \$25.00 for calls made during normal business hours, and \$50.00 for calls made after normal business hours will be made. In addition to the above charges, the Cooperative **shall** be entitled to reimbursement from the customer for (a) the cost of repairing and/or replacing damaged equipment and (b) the estimated loss of **revenue to the** Cooperative resulting from the electric energy diverted as a result of the meter tampering. The rate schedule **applicable to the customer's service shall be used to** compute the revenue loss.

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